

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BLANCHETTE ET AL.

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CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

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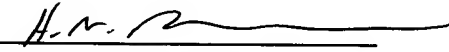
Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of 23 February 2001 of Canadian Patent Application No. 2,337,940 under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119 and the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property.

If any fees are due with regard to this claim for priority, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130 maintained by Applicant's attorneys.

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